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Council District 6

Melissa Cabello Havrda



Dear Neighbors,

This week, the City Council continued to hear FY2020 budget proposals from various city departments. The proposed \$2.9 billion budget provides funding for important city services in District 6 and throughout the city. Key proposals presented this week came from *Solid Waste, Animal Care Services, Development Services and Code, Public Library, Parks, Airport, Arts and Culture, Convention and Sports Facilities, and Visit San Antonio.*

In 2019, Animal Care Services has drastically increased their live release rate, doubled the number of spay/neuter surgeries, and increased citations by over 100%. ACS reports faster response time to more than 120,000 service requests last year.

Currently, ACS has 5 dedicated officers to respond to calls and conduct investigations related to bites, dangerous or aggressive dogs, cruelty, or permitting. Stray and/or dangerous dogs can sometime pose a threat to public safety and prevent the community from using parks and sidewalks. I requested a dedicated ACS officer for District 6 to help with our stray animal issues and to promote responsible pet ownership.

We will continue to hear from city departments about budget proposals next week. City staff will adjust the proposed budget based on feedback from

Council as well as from input collected from the community through SA Speak Up. Click [here](#) to provide your thoughts and feedback about the budget items that are most important to you.

I continue to listen and work with you about issues that are most important to you. I value your input and invite you to review the proposed budget at: sanantonio.gov/budget.

If you have any questions about the proposed FY2020 budget, feel free to reach out to the District 6 Staff by calling 210-207-3749 or emailing us at district6@sanantonio.gov.

Yours in service,



Melissa Cabello Havrda
Councilwoman, District 6

This Week in District 6



BACK TO SCHOOL IN NISD!

"More than 106,000 students started school in NISD today including approximately 3,000 Pre-Kindergarten students.

NISD expanded its Pre-Kindergarten programs to be full day at 35 elementary school campuses across the District starting with the 2019-2020 school year. It will also continue to offer half-day Pre-K programming at 35 additional campuses.

Teachers, custodians, and staff members worked through the weekend to make sure that rooms were ready for their students.

At Carson ES, employees got their hands dirty (literally) while assembling new furniture for their expanded Pre-K classes. Principal Lori Shaw said, "Our Carson legends stopped what they were doing to help upload, unpack, and set up our new Pre-K class. We are a true family who comes together to support one another."

At Marshall HS, custodians and maintenance employees worked alongside Ram staff throughout the night to get their new cafeteria ready for breakfast this morning."

Community members provide feedback on
planned improvements to Enrique Barrera

Parkway. Staff from City of San Antonio Department of Transportation and Capital Improvement (TCI) were on hand to present details of the bond-funded project and answer questions from local residents



City Announces Labor Day Holiday Schedule

City Hall and most municipal offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3, 2018 to observe Labor Day. Public safety and emergency services will remain in operation. Other City services will operate as follows:

Open:

- Recycling, organics recycling and garbage will be collected
- Police will be on duty
- Fire and EMS personnel will be on duty
- 3-1-1 Call Center will be operational 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Downtown visitors will enjoy a free on-street parking day
- Dead animal collection crews will be on duty
- Animal Care Officers will be on duty
- Parks & Recreation's four regional swimming pools will be open from 1-7 p.m.: Heritage, Lady Bird Johnson, Southside Lions and Woodlawn.
- San Antonio Botanical Garden, 555 Funston Place
- La Villita and Market Square shops
- Parks & Recreation Department's four regional pools

Closed:

- Central Library and all branch libraries
- Centro de Artes Gallery (regularly closed on Mondays)
- Culture Commons Gallery at Plaza de Armas
- All Metro Health locations and clinics
- Animal Care Services Lobby and Adoption Center
- Bitters Brush Recycling Center and Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center
- Bulky waste collection centers and household hazardous waste sites
- Alamodome Administrative Offices and Box Office
- Municipal Court, 401 S. Frio
- SAPD Administration and Records
- SAFD Administration and Records
- Office of the City Clerk, Passports, Vital Records and Municipal Archives and Records
- Pre-K 4 SA offices and education centers
- Carver Community Cultural Center, 226 N. Hackberry
- Senior Multi-Service Centers
- Senior Nutrition Sites (seniors or the general public may contact individual nutrition sites for holiday schedule information)
- City of San Antonio Community



- Service Centers
- Head Start administrative offices and school district sites
- Child Care Services administrative offices
- Fitness in the Park and Cultural Classes will not be held
- Parks & Recreation Community and Senior Centers
- Enrique Barrera Community Fitness Center, 5800 Old Hwy. 90 W
- McFarlin Tennis Center, 1503 San Pedro
- San Antonio Natatorium, 1430 W. Cesar Chavez
- Spanish Governor's Palace (regularly closed on Mondays)
- La Villita Administrative Offices
- Market Square Administrative Offices

Under 1 Roof Program Seeks Applicants

Do you need a new roof?

The Under 1 Roof Program replaces worn and damaged roofs with new, energy-efficient roofs for qualified homeowners. Spots are still available for District 6 residents. Click the banner below for the application and Frequently Asked Questions.



Looking for An Opportunity to Serve Your Community?

The District 6 Office is currently seeking applicants to fill Boards and Commissions vacancies. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

CPS Energy Citizens Advisory Committee (CAD)

Neighborhood Improvements Advisory Committee

Small Business Advocacy Committee

Transportation Advisory Board

City Commission on Veterans Affairs

Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee

San Antonio Housing Trust

City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board (College students only)

For more information, please call Matthew Baiza at matthew.baiza@sanantonio.gov or call 210-207-3479.

[Click here to apply today!](#)

Free Fun at San Antonio Libraries August 30- September 1



Quilting Bee

Guerra Branch Library (7978 Military Dr. W., 78227)

Saturday, August 31

10 am – 2 pm

I Heart Vinyl

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, September 1

All Day

This day-long event showcases Potranco Branch Library's stellar collection of classic and contemporary vinyl.

Sunday Funday (Teens Only)

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, September 1

1 – 2:30 pm

Enjoy a good time on a Sunday Afternoon. Our Fun Day will be full of video games, virtual reality, trivia, board games, snacks and more!!!!

VIA and ATD Public Hearing on Proposed FY2020 Budget

VIA Metropolitan Transit and the Advanced Transportation District will be hosting a Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed operating budgets for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020). VIA staff will present the proposed operating budgets and receive comments on:

Thursday, September 5, 2019

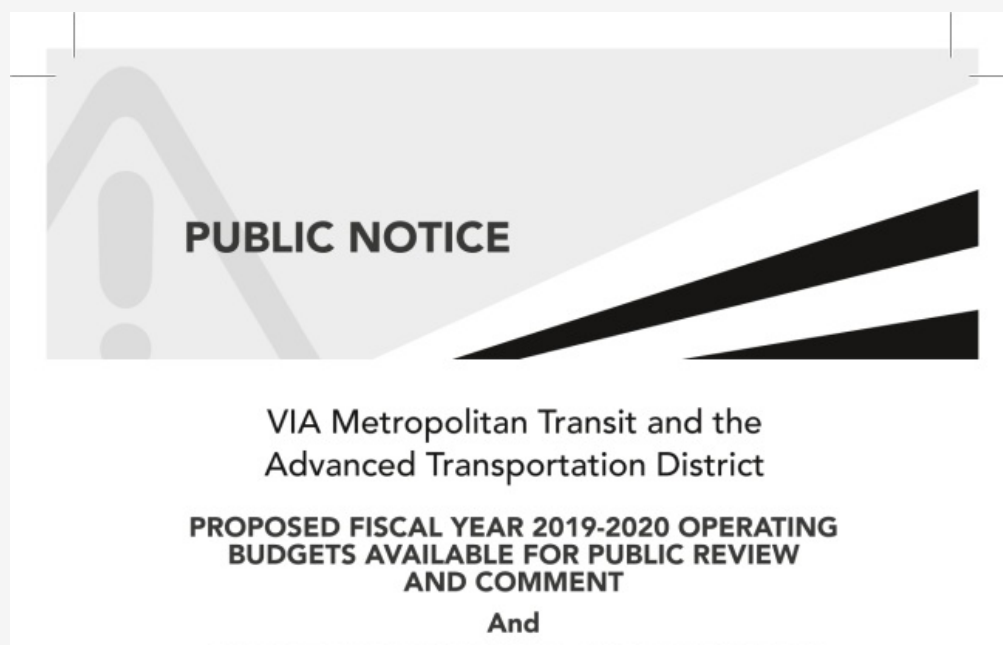
5:30 p.m. Doors Open | 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing

VIA Metro Center (Board Room)

1021 San Pedro

San Antonio, Texas, 78212

Copies of the draft budget documents will be available upon request until **September 13, 2019**, at VIA's Corporate Communications Office located at 123 N. Medina, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and all VIA's Transit Centers, see link for locations: <https://www.viainfo.net/transit-centers/>. Copies of the draft budgets are also available on VIA's website, www.viainfo.net, and comments may be submitted online as well.



Save Energy to Avoid Higher Electric Bills



Hotter temperatures have prompted a statewide heat advisory, and in San Antonio, temperatures are expected to hover at or above 100 degrees for the next week.

Despite this, CPS Energy customers can stay comfortable while also saving energy and money. As the highest energy demand typically happens between 3 and 7 p.m., CPS Energy is urging customers to take action to reduce their energy consumption.

Here are some tips to help customers keep their bills manageable:

- Set thermostats 2 to 3 degrees higher from 3-7 p.m.; set programmable thermostats to higher temperatures when no one is home. The optimum energy saving temperature is 78 degrees.
- Use fans to feel 4 to 6 degrees cooler.
- Set pool pumps to run early morning or overnight; shut off from 4-6 p.m.
- Turn off and unplug non-essential lights and appliances.
- Avoid using large appliances (i.e. ovens, washing machines, etc.), especially during peak demand hours.

Customers can also follow the tips below to make sure they stay safe during this heat wave:

- Hydrate. Drink plenty of water even if you don't feel thirsty.
- Stay in air-conditioned areas, if possible. The City of San Antonio has multiple cooling centers open throughout the area that can be used.
- If you must be outside, take breaks often in shaded areas.
- Wear a hat, as well as lightweight and loose-fitting clothing when possible.

The utility's goal is to make sure customers stay safe and keep energy consumption low during peak times. This ultimately helps CPS Energy's continuous effort to ensure all customers have reliable and affordable service.

COSA Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM) Invites Public to Citizen Preparedness Workshop



You are invited to attend the 10th Annual Citizen Preparedness Workshop on September 14, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the San Antonio Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM). The purpose of this event is to equip citizens with the confidence, skills, and tools you need to recover after an emergency.

Representatives from City Departments and other support organizations will be available to discuss topics such as debris disposal, animal care during an emergency, power outages, and severe weather.

A light breakfast will be served. For additional information about the workshop, contact Ashley Carter at ashley.carter@sanantonio.gov.

Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-citizen-preparedness-workshop-registration-65271914052>

**This meeting site is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrance and accessible visitor parking spaces are located on 8039 Challenger Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78235. Auxiliary Aids and Services are available upon request. ASL interpreters will be provided at the event. For assistance, call 210-206-8551.

Historic Homeowner Fair



11TH HISTORIC FAIR ANNUAL HOMEOWNER PRESENTED BY *Pearl*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | 9AM - 2PM | PEARL STABLE
307 PEARL PKWY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78215

Join the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), preservation professionals, and your neighbors at the 11th annual Historic Homeowner Fair!

The Historic Homeowner Fair is a **free** event hosted by OHP that brings together owners of aging and historic homes with local professionals, services, and solutions and educates homeowners about caring for and maintaining their properties.

What to Expect

More than 1,500 attendees
Residents from all historic districts
Exhibit hall with 60 booths
Workshops & Ask-an-Expert sessions
Free and open to everyone!

New to 2019:
Rehabber Club DIY Panel

- Learn the tricks of the trade
- Become a member of the Rehabber Club
- Includes free lunch!
- *Advanced registration required



Visit www.SApreservation.com
for more information!



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